# Advanced Technology Demonstration

Rapidly Installed Breakwater (RIB) System Update

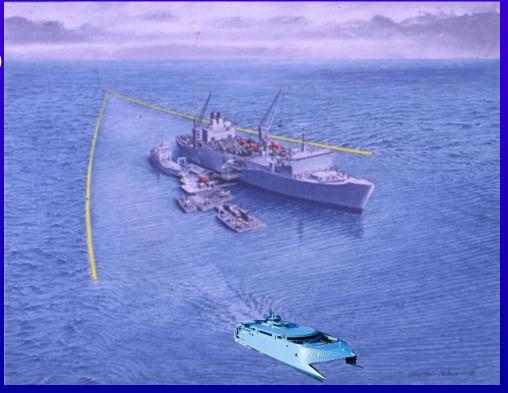
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Initially approved as ATD by ASTWG PC' AUG 98

**Approved by WTC, June 2001** 

#### **AUSTERE ISBs**

- Options available when other ISB alternatives are unavailable:
  - LMSR w/ RIBENTIRE IBCT OONE LMSR



#### CONDENSED HISTORY OF RIB









# MILITARY OPERATIONAL REQUIREMENTS - RIB AJLOTS-Relevant RIB must feature:

- RAPID EMPLOYMENT
- ARRIVE WITH HLPS
- SS3 REDUCED TO SS2
- SS5 SURVIVABLE
- SS3 EMPLOYMENT CAPABILITY

RIB ORD Approved 17 Jan 2000

# RIBS Integrated Concept Team

- TACOM
- TARDEC
- •HQ, USACE

- •ODCSLOG
- ·ODCSOPS
- · CASCOM
- USAE Coastal Hydraulic Labforce Projection Batt
- •USA Transportation School Support Element
  - NSWC, Carderock Div
- •USA Engineer School/MSBL7th Transportation Gro
- Joint Staff
- •HQ, TRADOC, CSS
- **Directorate**
- OPNAV
- 74th EN Dive Team

•T&E Community

#### RIBS ATD Exit Criteria

#### Exit Criteria - Enhanced Coastal Trafficability and Sea State M

#### Part I: Rapidly Installed Breakwater System (RIBS)

Setup and Employment of RIBS Arrival Onsite	after 48 Hours	24 Hours
Wave Height Reduction	50%	65%
Survivability of RIBS in Storms	Sea State 5	Sea State 6
Transportable and Employable L Existing Assets	Jsing N/A	N/A

#### **ATD MILESTONES**

- R 1999 Structural Requirements for RIBS
- R 2000 Mooring Requirements for RIBS
- R 2000 Engineering Design for Prototype RIBS
- R 2001 Fabricate 1st Prototype ATD-RIBS Segments
- R 2001 Field Deploy 1st Prototype ATD-RIBS Segments
- C 1001 Plan and Materials for Beach Stabilization
- R 2002 Incorporate Lessons Learned in Final Design
- D / NO TI I I TO I D I I ATTO DIDO
- R 2 D02 Deploy Final Prototype ATD-RIBS w/ planned ercise
- C 2 02 Demonstrate Beach Stabilization w/ planned ercise

#### TECHNICAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Effectiveness of previous concepts was <u>limited to wave</u> periods in range of 3-4 seconds (Sea State 2)

Operability of Floating
Breakwaters has been
extended to <u>wave periods up</u>
to 8 seconds by new design
concept (Sea State 4)

"Hard" Structures are extremely large, heavy, and difficult to handle/deploy, particularly in the stream

RIB "soft" structure
weighs much less, is
compact for shipment,
and is relatively easy to
deploy

"<u>Hard" Structures are very</u> <u>susceptible to storm damage</u> and fatigue

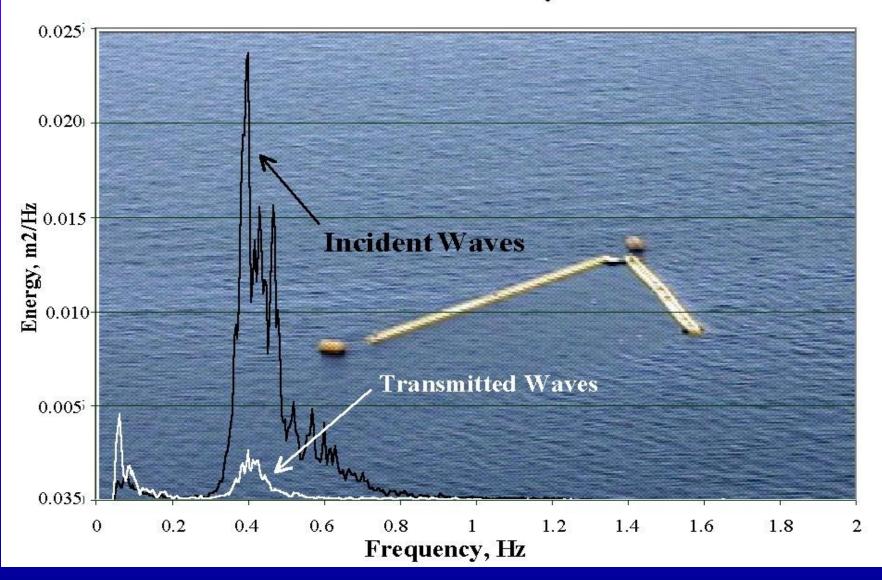
Problem with exceeding the allowable stresses in metal was overcome by shifting to a high-strength fabric design and moment-carrying joints to allow Sea State 5 survivability

Scope of conventional mooring systems severely limits operating area within a deployed RIB system

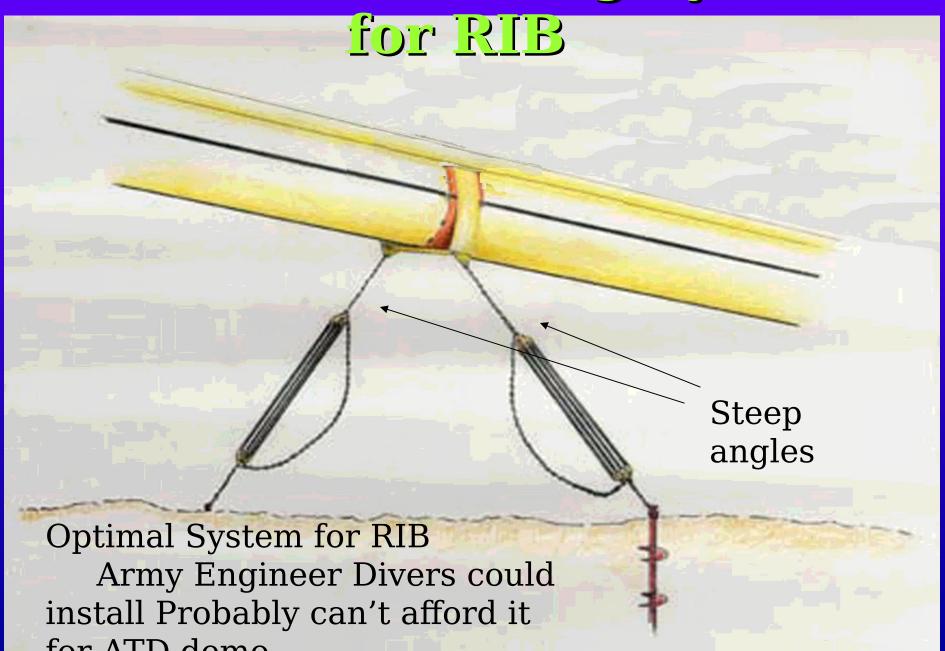
"Seaflex" mooring system allows use of almost entire interior area for vessel operations

#### Performance ....

#### Incident Versus Transmitted Wave Energy FY 2000 RIB Field Study



## **Hurricane Mooring System**



## XM 2001 Field Study

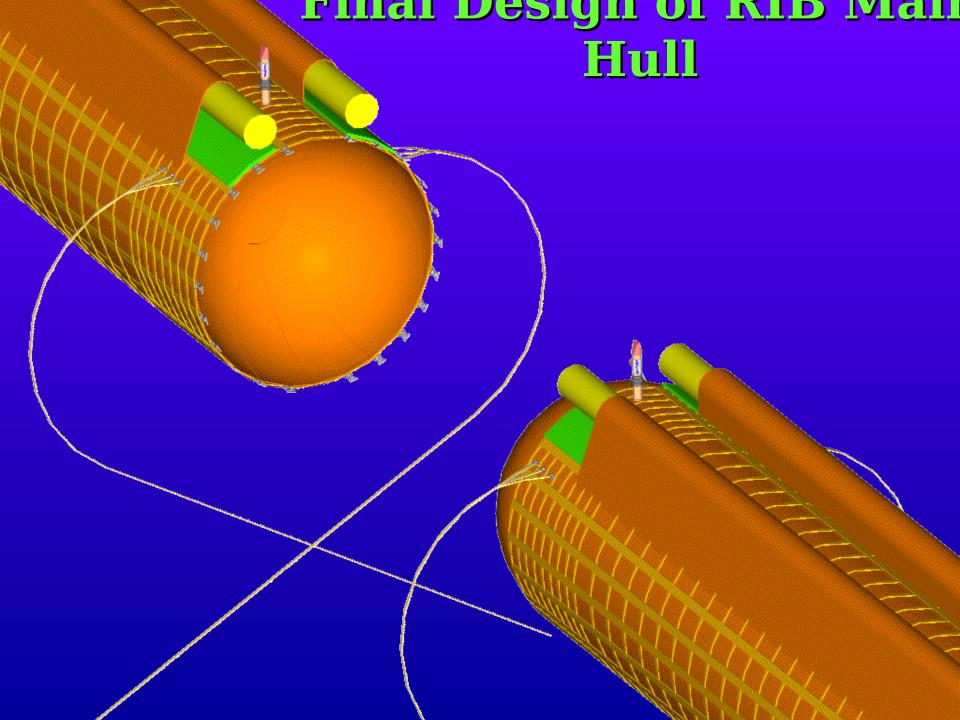
- Fort Pierce, FL ----- Cape Canaveral denied by 9/11
- 9 18 December 2001
- 28 ft diameter, 200 ft long segments
- 400 ft was delivered via 2 flatbed tra
- IPPD meeting conducted



### Goals for XM-2001

**Deployment** Deploy a single leg comprised of two conjoined Standard Hulls in order to:

- Gain experience on deployment and employment issues
- Evaluate the D & R Assembly functionality

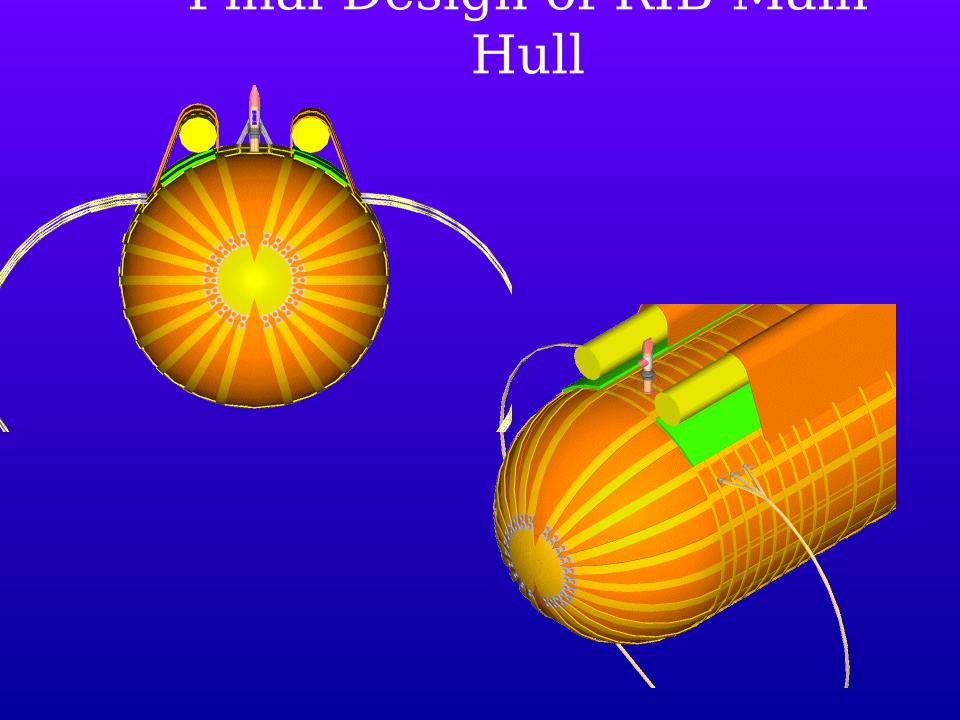




#### Fabrication of RIB Main Hull





















## FY01 ATD DELIVERY

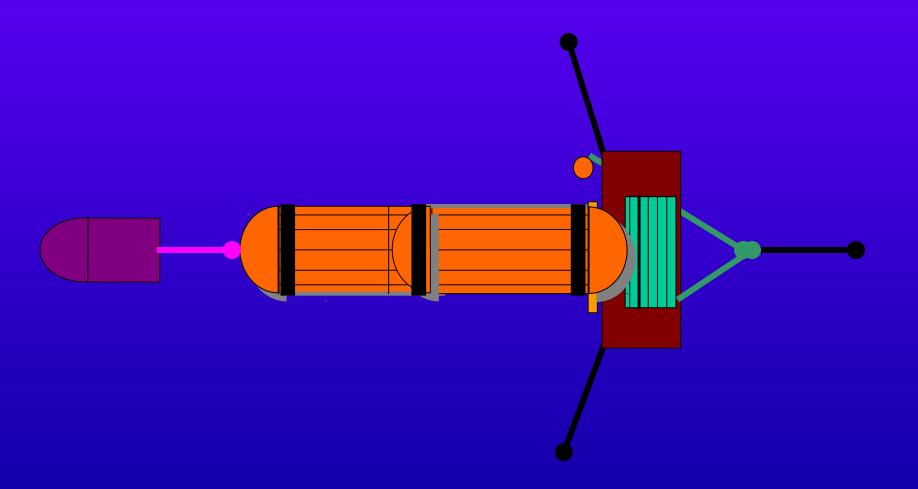
SYSTEM With minor glitches, D & R performed as designed

Will be further modified for ATD Demo





# Deployment Scheme



# DEPLOYMENT/RECOVER Y MECHANISM











#### RIB XM 2001 Lessons Learned

#### **GOOD**

- Deployment mechanism worked well – can simplify to work better
- Much more compact than originally thought - 200 ft on one flatbed
- Pressure relief design works well
- Fabric was very durable

#### RIB XM 2001 Lessons Learned

#### **COULD HAVE BEEN BETTER**

- Deployment procedure/sequence
- Test site
- Floatation to RIB attachment
- Tug operations
- Recovery procedures
- In situ decision making (training!!)

# 2002

- FEB -JUN 02 Fabrication of Additional Segments
- JUL/AUG 02 Assembly/ATD DEMO JLOTS Vessel/Lighters participation East Coast USA preferred location Test & Evaluation Community participation
- SEP 02 Recovery & Redeployment
- OCT 02Final Report Published
- OCT 02 Transition to TACOM for EMD

# RIB R&D Status Summary

- ORD (Army) was approved Jan 00
- Full Scale 400 ft RIB Section successfully deployed in 2001
- Final ATD demonstration Test date to be announced; likely in mid to late August 2002 in Cape Canaveral, FL
- Exit Criteria will be evaluated
  - Barge mounted deployment mechanism will be demonstrated
  - Pressurization, inflation, & mooring times will be monitored
  - 28 ft diameter, 400 ft long segments
  - 800 ft will be delivered via 5 flatbed trailers
  - VIP invitations will be issued in June or early July 2002
- Working with Navy Coastal Systems Station (Panama City to investigate feasibility of Ship Attached RIB)

# Questions ??

## Mooring Configuration

